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SUBJECT: PARLIAMENTARY DEBATE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS

1. SUMMARY: SECOND CHAMBER OF STATES GENERAL BEGAN

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ANNUAL DEBATE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS BUDGET FEBRUARY 25.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS DEBATE SCHEDULED CONCLUDE FEB. 27.  
LEFT WING PARTIES CALLED FOR RECOGNITION OF PRG, BUT  
WERE OPPOSED BY CONFESSIOAL AND OPPOSITION PARTIES.  
OTHER SUBJECTS WHICH RECEIVED ATTENTION WERE EUROPEAN  
COOPERATION, NATO, TACTICAL NUCLEAR WEAPONS AT MBFR,  
AND RHODESIA. END SUMMARY.

2. ANNUAL DEBATE OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS BUDGET BEGAN  
IN SECOND CHAMBER OF DUTCH PARLIAMENT FEB. 25 WITH  
SPOKESMEN FOR ALL PARTIES TAKING FLOOR TO ADDRESS  
QUESTIONS TO FONMIN AND DEFMIN. FOREIGN AFFAIRS DEBATE  
SCHEDULED CONCLUDE FEB. 27 WITH PARTIES SPEAKING ON  
DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION AND HEARING FINAL REPLIES FROM  
FONMIN VAN DER STOEL, DEFMIN VREDELING (ON NATO).  
DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION MINISTER PRONK AND MFA STATE  
SECRETARIES BRINKHORST AND KOOLJMAN. FOREIGN POLICY OF  
DEN UYL GOVERNMENT RECEIVED SHARP CRITICISM FROM BOTH  
SIDES OF AISLE, WITH STRONGEST POSITIONS BEING TAKEN BY  
LEFT WING PARTIES, PARTICULARLY THOSE WITHIN FIVE-PARTY  
LEFT-CENTER COALITION GOVERNMENT.

3. VIET NAM--AS PROMISED (THE HAGUE 471), FONMIN VAN  
DER STOEL'S LABOR PARTY CAME OUT STRONGLY IN FAVOR OF  
RECOGNITION OF PRG. PARTY'S INTERNATIONAL SECRETARY  
TER BEEK TOOK SAME LINE ON FLOOR AS HE HAD IN FEB 21  
ARTICLE IN NCR HANDELSBLAD, I.E. GON RECOGNITION OF RNV  
AND NOT PRG SUPPORTS POLITICAL OBJECTIVES OF THIEU, WHO  
RESPONSIBLE FOR FAILURE OF PARIS ACCORDS. TER BEEK SAID  
IF GON REALLY WANTED CONTRIBUTE TO FUNCTIONING OF ACCORDS,  
IT MUST RECOGNIZE PRG. POINTING TO SWEDISH EXAMPLE, HE  
NOTED THAT FONMIN COULD NOT APPLY ARGUMENT OF INTERNATIONAL  
ISOLATION AS HE HAD DONE IN CASE OF RECOGNITION OF GUINES  
BISSAU. PRG RECOGNITION ALSO SUPPORTED BY RADICAL PARTY  
CHAIRMAN DE GAAY FORTMAN, AND BY FAR LEFT PACIFICT SOCIALIST,  
VAN DER SPEK. LATTER ALSO CALLED FOR RECOGNITION OF  
SIHANOUK IN CAMBODIA, AND PLANS OFFER MOTION TO THAT EFFECT.  
COMMUNIST PARTY SPOKESMAN BAKKER INTRODUCED TWO MOTIONS ON  
VIET-NAM (ONE CALLING FOR RECOGNITION OF PRG AND OTHER  
CALLING ON GON TO BREAK RELATIONS WITH SAIGON).

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4. COMMUNIST MOTIONS WILL BE VOTED ON MARCH 4.  
IN VIEW OF UNANIMOUS CENTER AND RIGHT WING OPPOSITION TO  
PROPOSALS VOICED DURING DEBATE, IT APPEARS THAT NEITHER  
HAS ANY CHANCE OF PASSAGE. RNV CHARGE TU, ALTHOUGH  
GENERALLY PREACHING TO THE CONVERTED, CAN PROBABLY TAKE  
SOME CREDIT FOR INCLUSION OF FORTHRIGHT STATEMENTS ON  
ISSUE BY ALL PARTIES (EXCEPT THOSE IN PARA 2) PARTICIPATING  
IN DEBATE. DURING PAST TWO WEEKS, TU CONTACTED EVERY

PARTY WHERE HE SAW EVEN GLIMMER OF HOPE AND URGED THAT THEY NOT ONLY VOTE AGAINST PRG RECOGNITION, BUT SPEAK OUT IN FLOOR DEBATE. WALTMANS (PPR) ALSO PLANS OFFER VIET-NAM MOTION, WHICH HE TELLS US WILL BE SLIGHT COMPROMISE TO THOSE MADE BY BAKKER.

5. EUROPEAN COOPERATION--CONFESSIONAL AND RIGHT WING PARTIES EXPRESSED SERIOUS CONCERN OVER INSTITUTIONALIZING EUROPEAN SUMMIT MEETINGS. CATHOLIC SPOKESMAN VAN DER SANDEN SEES SYSTEM OF HOLDING THREE SUMMITS PER YEAR AS CREATION OF A "SUPER COUNCIL" OF EUROPE, WHICH DIRECTLY THREATENS WORKING OF EUROPEAN COMMISSION AND PARLIAMENT. LIBERAL PARTY'S BERKHOUWER, PRESIDENT OF EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT, ENDORSED POINT WHILE CHRISTIAN HISTORICAL CHAIRMAN KRUISINGA QUESTIONED ROLE AT SUMMIT MEETINGS OF DUTCH PRIMIN, WHO HAS NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS UNDER DUTCH SYSTEM.

6. NATO AND MBFR--FONAFFS COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN DANKERT (LABOR PARTY) SPOKE OF A DOUBLY SICK NATO: SICK IN ONE INSTANCE BECAUSE OF AMERICAN BILATERAL HEGEMONY, WHICH BROUGHT ABOUT CURRENT DISAFFECTION OF GREECE AND TURKEY AND WHICH CONTRIBUTED TO GREAT UNCERTAINTIES FACING PORTUGAL, AND LIKEWISE SICK BECAUSE OF ITS INABILITY TO COME TO GRIPS WITH QUESTION OF TACTICAL NUCLEAR WEAPONS. DANKERT'S COLLEAGUE TER BEEK SAID FOR THE MOMENT HE IS WILLING GIVE NATO THE BENEFIT OF A DOUBT AS TO ITS CONTINUED USEFULNESS. BUT, GON MUST PLAY AN ACTIVE AND CRITICAL ROLE IN THE ALLIANCE TO ENSURE THAT ITS GOAL IS NOT MAINTENANCE OF A DETERRENT BALANCE, BUT IS A FORCE FOR REDUCING TENSIONS AND ARMAMENTS. RADICALS CALLED FOR GENERAL EUROPEAN FORCE REDUCTIONS, AND CRITICIZED LIMITATION OF FIRST PHASE OF MBFR TO US AND SOVIET FORCES. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THEIR SPOKESMAN WALTMANS SAID HIS PARTY COULD NOT UNDERSTAND WHY EASTERN OFFER FOR A FREEZE OF FORCE LEVELS HAD BEEN REJECTED BY WEST. LIBERAL SPOKESMAN DE KOSTER (FORMER DEFMIN) REMINDED CRITICS OF CONTINUED DUTCH PARTICIPATION IN THE ALLIANCE THAT "IT IS VERY COLD OUTSIDE OF NATO." DE KOSTER ALSO NOTED THAT ONLY TWO COUNTRIES WHICH HAD OPENLY ADVOCATED INTRODUCTION OF TACTICAL NUCLEAR WEAPONS INTO MBFR WERE THE SOVIET UNION AND NETHERLANDS.

7. RHODESIA--DURING DEBATE TER BEEK PRESENTED STATE SECRETARY KOOIJMANS WITH DOCUMENTS WHICH ALLEGEDLY TIE DUTCH FIRMS IN WITH RHODESIAN SANCTIONS VIOLATIONS. ACCORDING TO TER BEEK, ROTTERDAM TOBACCO DEALER A.L. VAN BEEK NV AND ITS RHODESIAN SUBSIDIARY, COSMOS, HAVE WITH ASSISTANCE FROM DUTCH BANK MEES AND HOPE BEEN INVOLVED IN

ILLEGAL TRANSACTIONS WITH RHODESIAN BANKING CORPORATION  
VIA A JOHANNESBURG FIRM, SAROTEX. TER BEEK CLAIMED HE  
RECEIVED DOCUMENTS FROM THE DUTCH ANTI-APARTHEID MOVEMENT,  
AND SAID IT INCOMPREHENSIBLE THAT GON COMMITTEE HEADED BY  
KOOIJMANS HAD BEEN UNABLE DISCOVER EVIDENCE AGAINST DUTCH  
FIRMS.  
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